### **IDEA Grant Training**

April 2021



PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF NORTH CAROLINA
State Board of Education | Department of Public Instruction

**EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN DIVISION** 

Special Programs and Data

#### Save the Date

Grant opens: May 1, 2021

Due Date: May 31, 2021

### Access and Logging In

Log in

https://ccip.schools.nc.gov

Using NCID

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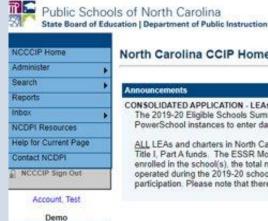
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Role	Permissions
LEA EC Data Entry (optional role)	Move to Draft Started Create Application Cannot move to Draft Completed
LEA EC Director	Move to Draft Started Create Application Moves to Draft Completed
NCDPI EC Regional Coordinator	Move to NCDPI EC Regional Coordinator Returned or Approved
LEA Chief Administrative Officer	Reviews and moves to LEA Chief Administrative Officer Returned or Approved
NCDPI EC Program Consultant	Reviews and moves to NCDPI EC Consultant Returned or Approved (final approval)

### **Assigning Roles**

Local User Access Administrator: They are the only ones who can change/add users with that LEA

#### Main Page



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#### North Carolina CCIP Home

#### **Announcements**

CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION - LEAs and Charters ONLY (7/2/2019)

The 2019-20 Eligible Schools Summary Report (ESSR) is available within your respective PowerSchool instances to enter data.

ALL LEAs and charters in North Carolina report these data, regardless if the school receives Title I. Part A funds. The ESSR Module in PowerSchool collects the total number of children enrolled in the school(s), the total number of low-income children, the Title I program that will be operated during the 2019-20 school year, and Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) participation. Please note that there are no changes from the previous years' collections.

#### Reminders

Getting locked out, VALID NCIDs and OTHER ISSUES WITH NCIDs (10/7/2019)

TAN LEA Disa Cost Strategy and Final Decourse " From (0/24/2010)

If you are a NON-LEA having problems with your NCID (expired password, locked out), contact DIT at 919,754,6000 or toll-free at 1.800.722.3946 for assistance. If you are an LEA/Charter, please contact your local NCID Administrator. The CCIP Administrator does not manage NCIDs, other than to authenticate you are who you say you are, and to make you "known" to CCIP.

Just having a valid NCID does not automatically gain you access to CCIP. For LEAs, please contact the User Access Administrator for your organization. Non-LEAs must have the Chief Administrator/ Director of their organization contact anita.harris@dpi.nc.gov with the correct information.

## **Getting Started with the 2021-2022 IDEA Grant**

Click Funding and then

**Funding Applications** 



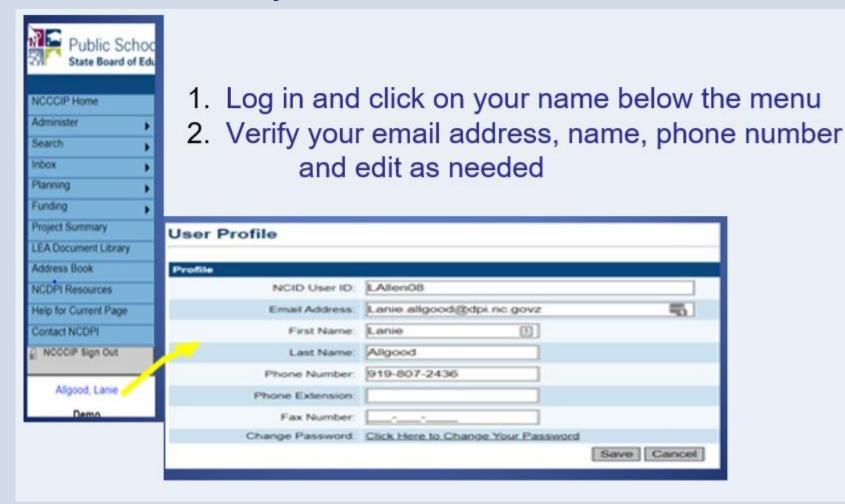
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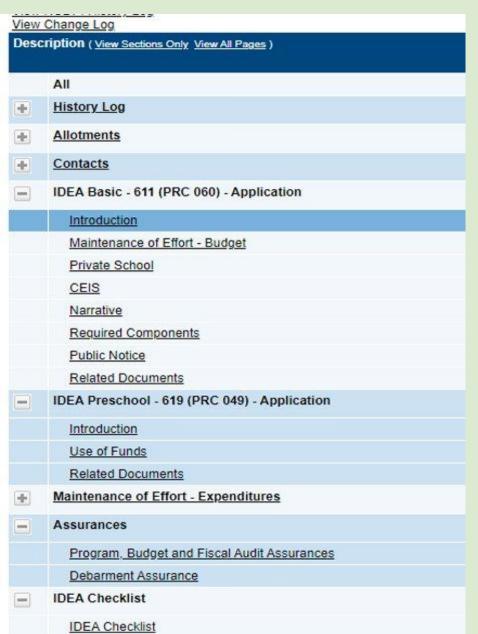


Click on IDEA



#### Verify Contact Information





# IDEA 611 Grant Sections

#### **Section Page**

All funding applications have a Section page

#### **Functions:**

Change statues, links to grant pages, print, find errors, access Change Log



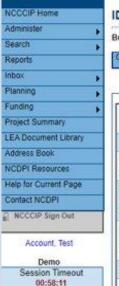
#### **IDEA Grant – Section 611**

#### **IDEA 611 Grant**



Public Schools of North Carolina

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#### IDEA 611 (PRC 060)

Buncombe County Schools (110) Regular Local School District - FY 2021 - IDEA - Rev 0 - IDEA 611 (PRC 060)



#### IDEA - Part B (611) Grant Introduction

Each Agency (LEAs, SOPs, and Charter Schools) must submit an IDEA-Part B Project and Budget in order to access funds.

The elements of the Project must meet acceptable criteria of compliance prior to the approval of any federally funded Project. Each agency must ensure that children with disabilities (in those schools) receive services in accordance with a property developed individualized Education Plan (IEP) and are afforded all applicable rights and services guaranteed under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

The purposes of IDEA include (a) ensuring that all children with disabilities have available to them a free appropriate public education (FAPE) that emphasizes special education and related services designed to meet their unique needs and prepare them for employment and independent living; (b) ensuring the rights of children with disabilities and their parents are protected; (c) assisting states, localities, educational service agencies, and Federal agencies in providing the education for all children with disabilities. 300, 11

The Agency Project must describe policies and procedures the agency has in place to comply with the requirements of Public Law 108 446. Each agency must adopt policies which reflect legal obligations contained in Public Law 108 446 and North Carolina General Statutes 115-C-106. Article 9. The Project must describe the total special education program for children, ages 3-21, with disabilities of the agency, irrespective of the funding source.

No Project may obligate federal funds prior to the date the Project and Budget are submitted in substantially approvable form, and approved by the state education agency.

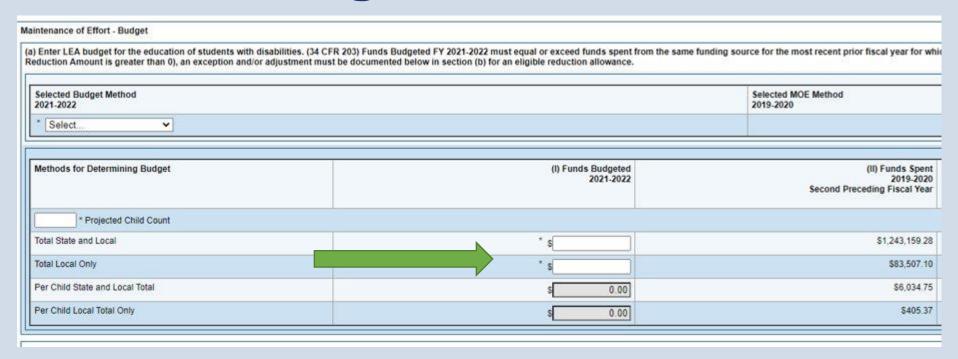
The Project is a public document and must be made available for public review and inspection (as mandated by Section 614 of Public Law 108.446) prior to submission.

The Project consists of procedures, policies, data tables and assurances. The Project is approved for a one year period. Any changes made in agency policy or procedure described in the Project must be submitted as an amendment to the One-Year Project.

#### Use of Funds

Funds must be used to develop comprehensive programs and services for children with disabilities in the least restrictive environment (LRE). The State Board has approved and adopted the Continuum of Services outlined in the <u>Policies Governing Services for Children with Disabilities.</u> Adherence to the Policies should ensure a systematic program with alternatives for meeting the LRE requirements. Some or all of the

#### **MOE:** Budget



PSU budget must be at least as much as was expended in the last year for which information is available.

PSU may receive a possible increase in IDEA funding and should adjust the MOE Budget

### **MOE** Budget: How to meet it

- Local funds only
- The combination of state and local funds

- Local funds only on a per capita basis
- Combination of state and local funds on a per capita basis

#### **MOE:** Budget 1b

- Reduction Allowances
- 34 CFR 300.204
- 34 CFR 300.205
- 34 CFR §300.203 (b) MOE §300.200 LEA Eligibility

#### Private School: Proportionate Share Why?

 LEAs are required to provide special education services to SWD who are parentallyplaced in non-public schools which are located in the LEA

 Equitable services may be provided to SWD enrolled by their parents in private, religious, and home schools that meet the definition of elementary and secondary school

## Private School: Ongoing Communication

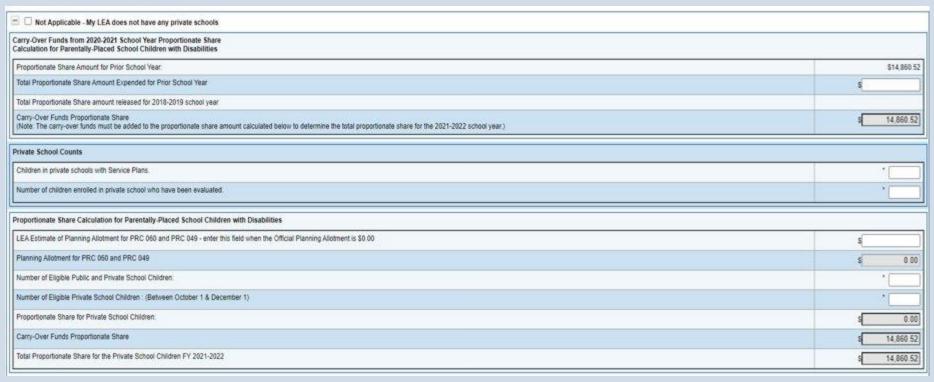
- Private school evaluations are covered under Child Find and are not included in proportionate share set aside funds
- Communication with private schools and parents is ongoing throughout the year (does not end after the formal meeting)
- Strong relationships and open communication will ensure equitable services

## Private School Proportionate Share

- Carry-Over Funds
- Private School Count

- Proportionate Share Calculator
- Consultation with representatives' information

### Private School Proportionate Share Funding



Carry-Over Funds are precalculated
Proportionate Share is comprised of both IDEA grant sections 611 and 619

If the PSU receives an increase in funding, the proportionate share funds must be recalculated.

## Private School: Proportionate Share

If your agency is a State-operated program (SOP) or charter school, select this box as the following would not be required.

\* 1. The LEA must consult with private school representatives and representatives of parents of parentally-placed private school children with disabilities regarding the child find process and equitable participation. (NC 1501-6.6(a) Indicate how parents, teachers and private school officials will be informed of the process and how parentally placed private school children suspected of having a disability can participate equitably; (300.134)

asd

\* 2. Give a description of how timely and meaningful consultation occurs with private school representatives and representatives of parents of a parentally placed private school child with disabilities during the design and development of special education and related service provisions for parentally-placed private school children with disabilities. (300.134)

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\* 3. The consultation process among the LEA, private school officials, and representatives of parents of parentally-placed private school children with disabilities should be ongoing to ensure that parentally-placed children with disabilities identified through the child find process can meaningfully participate in special education and related services. Give a description of how the process operates throughout the year. (300.134)(c)

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\* 4. Give a description of how (each parentally placed private school child with a disability who has been designated to receive services) the Service Plan is developed addressing the specific special education and related services the LEA will provide.

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\* 5. Based on the proportionate share of Federal funds available to serve parentally-placed private school children with disabilities LEAs must make a determination of service provisions. Give a description of how parentally placed children are provided services using a proportionate share of Part B funds. Be specific in the statement about which children will receive services; what type of services will be provided, how, where and by whom special education and related services will be provided. (300.134)(d)

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(e) Written explanation by LEA regarding services. How, if the LEA disagrees with the views of the private school officials on the provision of services or the types of services (whether provided directly or through a contract), the LEA will provide to the private school officials a written explanation of the reasons why the LEA chose not to provide services directly or through a contract.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(10)(A)(iii); 34 CFR 300.134)

Private School Tip sheet

### **Disproportionality Review**

#### **CEIS Use of Funds**

- Use of funds items must support the PSU's CEIS district-wide implementation plan
- List line items only
- Use of Funds line items must align with the submitted budget
- Do not include the number of positions or dollar amounts

### **Project Narrative**

**PSU** Description

#### **PSU Description: Part A**

- Number of Schools
- Number of EC student on Dec 1 2020 headcount
- Socio-economic Data (within last 2 years)
- Building Accessibility
- Continuum of services overview

#### **PSU Description**

- Socio-economic Data (within last 2 years) Available on county website
- Economy (work force)
- Poverty level
- Average income
- Ethnic background (for county)

### **PSU Description**

#### **Building Accessibility**

- PSU describes their ADA compliance
- What accessibility features does the PSU have?
- If noncompliance exist, what is the plan?

### **PSU Description**

#### **Continuum of Services**

- A description of HOW the PSU is providing the full continuum of services
- Include regular, resource, separate, home/hospital
- Add details specific to your PSU
- Do not copy and paste the policy definition

## Project Narrative Part B: Use of Funds

B. Use of Funds
State specifically how funds will be utilized. This section can be completed using bullets instead of full sentences.
The narrative must agree with the submitted budget. Employer provided benefits (if social security, hospitalization, retirement and supplementary and benefits related pay (i.e. supplement, bonus, longevity) will be paid from this grant, it can be included in one bullet as "benefits", covering all employees paid under this funding source.) Any additional benefits paid from this funding source the all employees do not receive (salary differential, additional responsibility stipend, etc.) must be listed separately from "benefits". If Indirect costs and unbudgeted funds are in the budget, they should be listed in use of funds. The grant cannot be approved until the budget is submitted.
If funds are used to purchase equipment, indicate how the equipment will improve the education of students with disabilities.
* If funds are budgeted for workshops, describe the planned staff development activities.
Check if there will be carryover funds.  * Indicate the projected amount of the carryover.
* How will carryover funds be utilized? This section can be completed using bullets instead of full sentences.

• Utilization of Funds: The narrative must agree with the submitted budget. Employer provided benefits (if social security, hospitalization, retirement and supplementary and benefits related pay (i.e. supplement, bonus, longevity) will be paid from this grant, it can be included in one bullet as "benefits", covering all employees paid under this funding source.) Any additional benefits paid from this funding source that all employees do not receive (salary differential, additional responsibility stipend, etc.) must be listed separately from "benefits". If Indirect costs and unbudgeted funds are in the budget, they should be listed in use of funds. The grant cannot be approved until the budget is submitted.

#### Changes:

- List line-item names only
- The number of positions is not required
  - i.e., EC teachers not 15 EC teachers
- Dollar amounts per line item are not required

#### Funds for Equipment

- MUST indicate how the equipment will improve the education of students with disabilities.
- If not using for equipment, enter NA

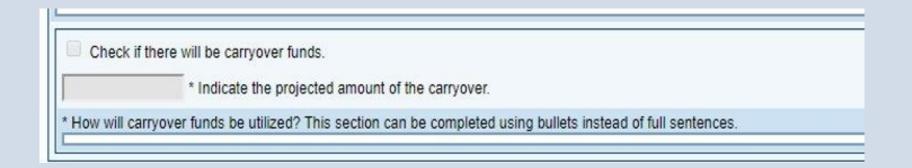
#### Funds for Workshops:

- Description of planned staff development and how it will improve the education of students with disabilities.
- If not using IDEA funds for staff development, enter NA

## Project Narrative Part C: Use of Funds

Carry-over Funds: Add estimated amount and circumstances resulting in carry-over.

General description for use of carry-over.



## Project Narrative Part C: Use of Funds

C. Personnel and Comprehensive System of Personnel Development	
* Address licensure status and number of all teachers of students with disabilities (regardless of funding source), i.e. twenty fully certified EC teachers, five EC teachers holding lateral entry license, etc.	
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* Provide relevant information on current and anticipated personnel vacancies, etc.	
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* Describe in-service training for personnel providing special education and related services, training for personnel paid from grant.	_
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- Licensure status and number of all teachers of students with disabilities (regardless of funding source), i.e. twenty fully certified EC teachers, five EC teachers holding lateral entry license, etc
- Provide relevant information on current and anticipated personnel vacancies, etc.
- Workshops: Description of planned staff development and how it will improve the education of students with disabilities.
  - What type of training (ex: AU, EC Conference, ECATS, etc.)
  - Who is attending (ex: EC Teachers, Related Service, Administrators, etc.)

## Required Components: Assurances

By checking the 'Yes' box, the applicant certifies that the LEA meets all the assurance and certification requirements necessary to receive IDEA, part B funds.

PSUs are required to provide FAPE and complete the assurances even if not completing the IDEA grant application.

Required Components		
Buncombe County Schools (110) Regular Local School District - FY 2021 - IDEA - Rev 0 - IDEA 611 (PRC 060)  Go To		
BY CHECKING THE YES BOX, THE APPLICANT CERTIFIES THAT THE LEA MEETS ALL THE ASSURANCE AND CERT If "Yes" is selected, no additional comments are necessary. If "No" is selected, an explanation is required to be entered in the confidence.  Assurance		
1. CONFIDENTIALITY and ACCESS (300.612)(300.625)(300.622) - Notice to parents are adequate to fully inform parents about confidentiality and access rights, including a description of the extent that the notice is given in the native languages of the various population groups in the LEA. Notice is available describing the children on whom personally identifiable information, the types of information sought, the methods the LEA intends to use in gathering the information, and the uses to be made of the information. Policy and/or procedure are established regarding the storage, disclosure and third parties, retention, and destruction of personally identifiable information The Parent Handbook of Rights is issued to parents once a School year. The content addresses all of the rights of parents and children regarding the rights under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974 and implementing regulations in 34 CFR part 99. Before any major identification, location, or evaluation activity, the notice must be published or announced in newspapers or other media, or both, with circulation adequate to notify parents throughout the region of the activity.	Yes No	

Media Specifics	
* Type of Media (Daily or weekly newspaper, bulletin, periodical, etc.)	
* Media Agency Name	

#### Advertisement Specifics

Include in the ad the dates the ad will run in the newspaper, location of the project public review, contact person for the project and the dates the project will be available for public review. Give reasonable notice for public participation prior to the public review dates.

#### Public Review Dates:

- . Give reasonable Public Notices for participation prior to the grant review dates.
- . The public notice ad needs to be published before the public review dates.
- . The public notice must run for more than one date.
- . The grant cannot be submitted until the completion of the public review dates.
- \* Last Public Review Date



Attach an affidavit from the media source supporting the public notification. Advertisement copies and Word document of the public notice is not acceptable.

Туре	Document Template	Document/Link	
IDEA Media Affidavit (Upload at least 1 document(s))	N/A		

## **Public Notice**

# Public Notice: Requirements

- Type of media (daily, weekly)
  - Newspaper or Journal
- Media Agency Name (ex: Charlotte Observer)
- Affidavit with dates the Public Notice ran (no longer will take a copy or screenshot)
- Must run more than 1 day
- Must run before public comment

# Public Notice: Requirements

- Look for in Ad:
- Location of the project public review
- Contact person for the project review
- Dates the project review will be available for public review
  - Must be after last day Public Notice ran in paper
- Grant can NOT be submitted until after last Public Review date

# **Public Notice: Sample**

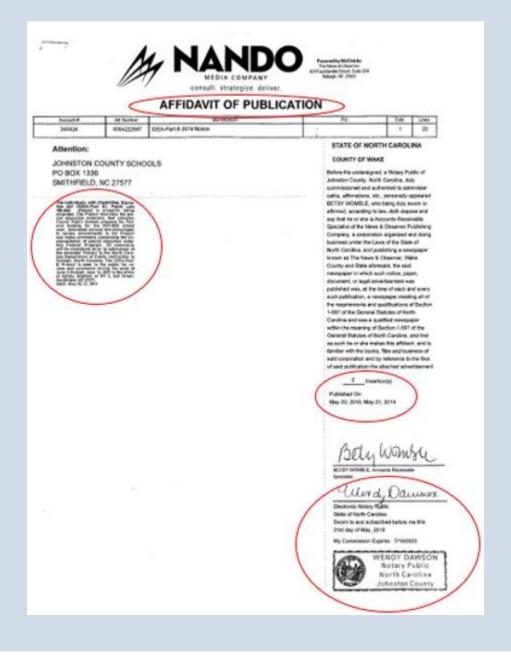
SAMPLE OF PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice
The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA-Part B, Public Law 108.446) Project is presently being amended. The Project describes the special education programs that
SAMPLE SAMPLE SAMPLE

# Public Notice: Attachment Requirements

- Attach an affidavit from the media source
- Visible name of the newspaper
- Visible date of the publication
- Photos, Clippings, receipt, order forms, Word documents are <u>not</u> acceptable

# Public Notice: Affidavit Example

**Link to example** 



# Budget

# **Budget**

# Will import from the PSU's budget system into the grant rather than BAAS

Purpose Code Object Code	EC 5210	Special Populations 5220	Pre-K - EC 5230	Speech & Language 5240	Audiology 5250	Social Work & Attendance 5320	Guidance Services 5830	Health Services 5840	Staff Development 5870	Parent Involvement 5880	Spec Pop Support & Develop. 6200	Transportation 6550	Payments to Other Gov Units 8100	Total
113 - Salary - Director and/or Supervisor											0.00			0.00
121 - Salary - Teacher	0.00		0.00											0.00
122 - Salary - Interim Teacher - Non Cert	0.00		0.00											0.00
124 - Salary - VIF	0.00		0.00											0.00
125 - Salary - New Teacher Orientation	0.00		0.00											0.00
126 - Salary - Extended Contracts	0.00													0.00
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131 - Salary - Instruct. Support I - Reg.	0.00		0.00			0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00			0.00
132 - Salary - Instruct. Support II - Adv.			0.00	0.00	0.00									0.00

# **IDEA Grant – Section 619**

#### **IDEA Section 619**

619 Presentation

With questions please contact:

Dawn Meskil: Dawn.Meskil@dpi.nc.gov

Keisha Walker: Keashia.Walker@dpi.nc.gov

# **IDEA Assurances**

#### **IDEA Assurances**

Checkboxes

Program and Fiscal Program Assurances

Debarment Assurance

# **Grant Process and Submission**

# **Co-Working in the Grant**

 Multiple people can be in the grant at the same time but not on the same page.



To be eligible for Title II, Part A funds LEAs must assess their needs related to improving educator effectiveness. TI and also take into account local educator effectiveness data, and other elements of educator effectiveness includin Title II, Part A funds are provided to LEAs to increase student academic achievement through strategies such as in

- People can be working in 619 and 611 at the same time.
- Can't be moved through without both sections of IDEA being completed. (in system comment/email box)

# **Submitting IDEA Grant**

Status Move to	What happens
Draft Started	Application open for editing
Draft Completed	<ul> <li>Email to EC Regional Consultant,</li> <li>Application locked down/no editing</li> </ul>
NCDPI EC Regional Consultant Approved or Returned Not Approved	<ul> <li>If Approved, email sent to LEA Chief Administrative Officer</li> <li>If Returned, email sent to LEA EC Director and opened for editing</li> </ul>
LEA Chief Administrative Officer Approved or Returned Not Approved	<ul> <li>Approved, email sent to NCDPI EC Program Consultant</li> <li>Returned, email sent to LEA EC Director and Regional Consultant and opened for editing</li> </ul>
NCDPI EC Program Consultant Approved or Returned Not Approved	<ul> <li>If Approved, application revision 0 is locked and workflow complete</li> <li>If Returned, email sent to LEA EC Director and Regional Consultant and opened for editing</li> </ul>
Revision Started	Previous version copied and revision open for editing, goes through workflow as outlined above

#### **IDEA Checklist**

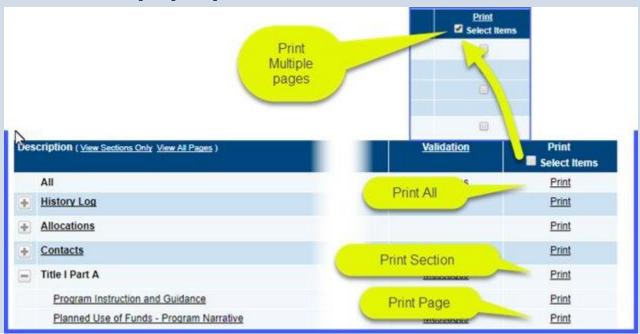
- This checklist is a means of communication between the NCDPI and PSUs regarding the allowability and allocability of the items submitted in the funding application.
- The Regional Coordinators and Fiscal Monitors will enter comments in the IDEA Checklist.

## **IDEA Checklist**

Ð	611 - Private School Participation Parentally Placed.	IDEA Regional Coordinator	Not Reviewed	*						
8	2. 611 - Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CEIS) and Permissive Use Description	IDEA Regional Coordinator	Not Reviewed	~						
-	3. 611 - Narrative	IDEA Regional Coordinator	Not Reviewed	~						
	1. General Description of LEA, Facilities and Services; -# of schools , - Socio-economic data (data current within last 2 years); -# of EC Students on December 1, 2018 child count; - Building accessibility - Continuum of Services Overview									
	2. Programmatic Use of Funds Review									
	3. Personnel and Comprehensive system of personnel development: Licensure status and number of all teachers. Personnel vacancies, In-service Training									
÷	4.611 - Required Components	IDEA Regional Coordinator	Not Reviewed	*						
	5. 611 - Public Notice	IDEA Regional Coordinator	Not Reviewed	*						
	Media Type and Specifics									
	2. Affidavit with dates Public Notice ran									
	3. Notice ran for more than one day									
	4. Public comment dates are after the last date notice ran									
	5. Advertisement Specifics - Location of the project public review, Contact person for the project review, Dates the project review will be	available for public review, Grant submitted after the last Public Review date								
÷	6. 619 - Introduction	Regional Preschool Coordinator	Not Reviewed	*						
+	7. 619 - Use of Funds	Regional Preschool Coordinator	Not Reviewed	~						
+	8. 619 - Continuum of Services Overview	Regional Preschool Coordinator	Not Reviewed	*						
+	9. 619 - Personnel Vacancies and Adjustments	Regional Preschool Coordinator	Not Reviewed							
÷	10. 611 - Maintenance of Fiscal Effort - Budget	Fiscal Monitor	Not Reviewed	~						
+	11. 611 - Private School	Fiscal Monitor	Not Reviewed							
+	12. 611 - Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CEIS)	Fiscal Monitor	Not Reviewed							
+	13. 611 - Use of Funds	Fiscal Monitor	Not Reviewed	~						
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# **Printing**

- Print from Sections page
- Print created as a PDF
- Print Levels: All, single section, single page, or multiple individual pages
- Click in Print checkbox to select multiple individual pages
- Make sure pop-up blocker is turned off for NCCCIP



#### Revisions

- To start a Revision, change the status:
  - Revision Started

#### Sections

Mountain Discovery Charter School (87A) Charter District - FY 2021 - IDEA - Rev 0

Application Status: NCDPI IDEA Program Consultant Approved

Change Status To: Revision Started

View NCDPI History Log View Change Log

#### Sections

Gaston County Schools (360) Regular Local School District - FY 2021 - IDEA - Rev 1

Application Status: Chief Administrator Approved

Change Status To: NCDPI IDEA Program Consultant Approved

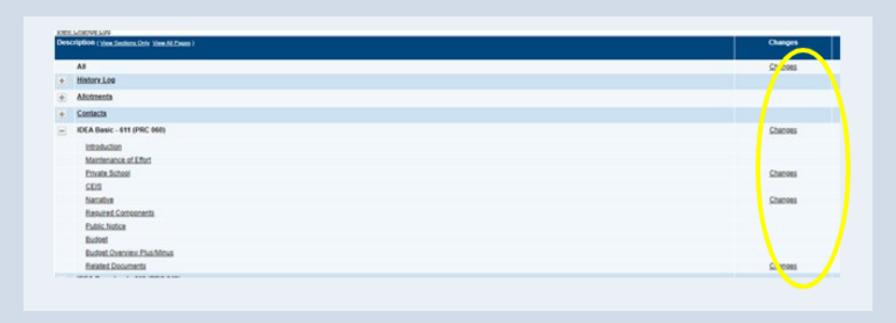
or

NCDPI IDEA Program Consultant Returned Not Approved

View NCDPI History Log View Change Log

#### Revisions

All sections revised are listed as "Changes" on the Section Page



# **MOE: Expenditures**

- Due in November after Initial Grant application has been approved
- PSUs should start gathering MOE Expenditure data after the 2020-2021 fiscal year ends.
- Training will be scheduled prior to MOE Expenditures opening for submission

# MOE Expenditures: How to meet it

- Local funds only
- The combination of state and local funds
- Local funds only on a per capita basis
- Combination of state and local funds on a per capita basis
- Consequence for not meeting in at least one of the four areas is repayment of the difference.

# Additional Information and Reminders

#### What are excess costs?

Excess costs are the costs of providing special education and related services to students with disabilities, over and above the average expenditure in a local educational agency (LEA) for an elementary or secondary student.

- Purpose of excess costs regulations and why it matters to the EC Directors and Program?
- The excess cost requirements prevent the use of IDEA-B funds to pay for the entire cost of providing services to students with disabilities.
- It is important to understand this regulation, and calculation, to ensure:
  - at least a minimum average amount is spent out of other funds for the education of students with disabilities before IDEA-B funds are spent.

#### Who has to worry about excess costs?

- If your organization receives a federal grant awarded under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B (IDEA-B), those funds must be used to pay the excess cost of providing special education and related services to students with disabilities (34 CFR §300.202(b)).
- There are exceptions noted under conditions described in 34 CFR §300.202 (b)(1)(ii).

- How Do I calculate this?
- A template is provided on the NC DPI website: <a href="https://ec.ncpublicschools.gov/finance-grants/fiscal-monitoring/excesscostworksheet.xlsx/view">https://ec.ncpublicschools.gov/finance-grants/fiscal-monitoring/excesscostworksheet.xlsx/view</a>
- An LEA can create its own template and approach to gathering and compiling this information. All documentation and the calculation must be maintained for auditing purposes.
- Meet with your Finance Officers. Each LEA may have different reports that will provide the required information, but your Finance Office can help identify where this information comes from. School Business Office is always a point of contact that Finance Officers have access to if they are unsure where to get the information.

Types of information that will be needed that your Finance Officer can help with will include:

- These costs are calculated each year based on expenditures from the most recent prior school year
  - Expenditures from all programs from the prior period
    - Must Exclude Capital Outlay and Debt Service
  - Expenditures by the PRC for Students with Disabilities for the prior period
    - Includes: Special needs, economically disadvantages, and Limited English proficiency students
    - Excludes: Academically & Intellectually gifted students
  - Average Daily Membership
- The Excess Cost Worksheet must be retained at the PSU for audit purposes
- PSU may receive a possible increase in IDEA funding and may need to adjust Excess Cost
- Consequences for not meeting Excess Cost is the repayment of the difference

#### **KEY TAKEAWAYS:**

- ✓ Make sure that your PSU is spending at least a minimum average amount is spent out of other funds for the education of students with disabilities before IDEA-B funds are spent.
- ✓ Work with your Finance Officer to determine the minimum average amount to budget per special needs student out of the IDEA budget and the minimum amount that is to be spent per student before IDEA Funds
- √ Failure to meet Excess Cost will result in a required repayment

# **Important Reminders**

- Special Programs and Data Fiscal Monitoring team does not allot funds.
- Notification of status change: Once the PSU gets an approval the PSU's EC department will need to connect with the PSU's finance and they will connect with their NCDPI finance contact for allotments for all EC grants.

# **Important Reminders**

 All Special Grants will open after IDEA submission:

Special State Reserve

Risk Pool

**Group Foster Home** 

**Developmental Day** 

Out of District

Community Residential

 Positions must be hired when needed and not contingent on receiving funding.

# **Important Reminders**

- For the 2021-2022 school year, there will be a possible increase in the Federal allotments.
- This increase could be used to cover some of the high impact cost prior to applying for Special Grants.
- PSUs will need to monitor MOE and Excess Cost closely

#### **New Information**

- An End of Year Update will be required this year for the 2020-2021 Special Grants
- There will be a 2021-2022 Comprehensive End of Year Report requirement. Training will be provided in 2021-2022.

# Technical Assistance Sessions

Regional Coordinators and Fiscal Monitors will be available for technical assistance on the following dates:

- May 13th at 9:00 10:30
- May 20th at 9:00 10:30
- May 27th at 9:00 10:30

# **Questions?**

### **IDEA Grant Team**

Region	Regional Coordinator	Fiscal Monitor
Statewide Preschool (619)	Dawn Meskil	Keashia Walker
Northeast	Regi Bolen Michelle Hamm (Charters)	Elizabeth Millen
Southeast	Regi Bolen Michelle Hamm (Charters)	Adam Parent
North Central	Amy Betz Rob McOuat (Charters)	Elizabeth Millen
Sandhills	Amy Betz Michelle Hamm (Charters)	Adam Parent
Piedmont-Triad	Cayce Favasuli Rob McOuat (Charters)	Elizabeth Millen
Southwest	Cayce Favasuli Lynn Metcalf (Charters)	Elizabeth Millen
Northwest	Traci Royal Lynn Metcalf (Charters)	Adam Parent
Western	Traci Royal Lynn Metcalf (Charters)	Adam Parent

#### Save the Date

Grant opens: May 1, 2021

Due Date: May 31, 2021